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Press Release

SKILLS MATRIX STUDENTS RAISE MONEY FOR WOOD GREEN ANIMAL SHELTER

Christmas cards, notebooks and bookmarks handmade by students at Cambridge Regional College have helped raise money for the Wood Green Animal Shelter in Godmanchester.

Craft Enterprise students, who all have learning disabilities or difficulties, set up a stall in the College to sell their Christmassy gifts – the results of weeks of hard work in their creative classes.

Their efforts raised £37 for the animal shelter, which will be handed over when the students visit Godmanchester next term.



Students Trupti Maher, Carly Ambrose, Rahil Akhtar, Georgina Allpress, Sam Baker and Rosa Huntington raising money for Wood Green Animal Shelter

Liz MacKenzie, Sector Leader for part time programmes within Supportive Education, said the students had worked extremely hard to prepare goods for the sale and set up their stall to attract customers.

“The group did very well indeed and were delighted to have raised the money for Wood Green,” she said.

The students are all on the Skills Matrix programme at CRC, which offers students the opportunity to learn a practical skill and the chance to improve and maintain basic skills. Subjects include horticulture, cookery, independent living and expressive arts.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Cambridge Regional College is one of the largest providers of full-time further education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region. The College has more than 4,000 full-time and 6,000 part-time students, coming from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk.

Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes. The College offers the largest and most comprehensive range of vocational courses in Cambridgeshire, and has one of the largest work-based learning contracts in the Eastern Region.